

VOTE "YES" Friday, April 5th,

If you vote "NO" Audrain County will be without a Hospital

VOTE "YES"

that Audrain County may not only care for the Boys who are fighting for you; but for your friends, your neighbors, your family, yourself.

"THE COST IS SO LITTLE---
---THE VALUE SO BIG"

Your family may be the first who will need your Hospital Service.

If YOU are interested in HUMANITY

VOTE "YES"

POULTRY MEETINGS TO BE IN AUDRAIN COUNTY.

Thru the efforts of the committee three poultry meetings have been arranged for Audrain County, on April 9, 1918, at the following places: Vandalia at 10 a. m., Ladonia at 2:00 p. m., and at Mexico at 8:00 p. m., in the Chamber of Commerce Building.

Poultry offers an opportunity for everyone to help increase our food supply for home consumption; especially the boys and girls and women of the farms and villages. Mr. Ralph Mason, Extension Poultry Husbandman of the U. S. Department of Agriculture is cooperating with the University of Missouri in carrying out a systematic and thorough campaign this year to increase the poultry production in Missouri. Every farm should have a flock of 100 to 200 birds this year. Not only is it profitable, but also profitable.

Early hatching; confining the mother hen to a brood coop, eggs in water glass; proper care and feeding during summer and winter; and feeding and housing are some of the topics to be especially emphasized in the campaign for more and better poultry.

Mr. Mason will speak, especially this time, on the necessity of hatching during March and April to produce profitable winter layers, and its relation with regard to increasing the annual egg production. Wherever possible an illustrated lecture on incubation and brooding will also be given. Now is the time to start your season's work in poultry, and these meetings will help you. Take advantage of them and bring your friends.

Early hatching for profit and patriotism.
RALPH MASON.

BRING A PIE.

There will be a negro minstrel and pie supper at the Jackson School House Saturday night, April 6th. Admission 15 cents for adults, and 10 cents for children. One-half of proceeds to be given to the school and one-half to the Red Cross. Everybody invited to bring a pie.

Richard P. Hopkins left for St. Joseph Tuesday where he has an important position.

POWELL FORD LETTER.

Nice rain Sunday night. It was much needed.

Misses Mabel and Mildred Cook closed their seven months' schools at Bean Creek and Gatewood.

We are sorry to hear of Russell Cook's illness, glad to hear he is better.

The Red Cross Branch of North Salt River will meet with Mrs. Milford Berry Wednesday of this week.

Charlie Robertson purchased a horse of M. N. Powell recently.

Several have little chickens in this neighborhood.

F. B. Cook and sons put in 160 acres of oats. W. D. Mason and Earl Carter put in a large acreage of oats each. They also have a fine prospect for wheat.

Wheat looks fine, and if we can have rain grass will come nicely. Several farmers are sowing timothy seed.

Mr. and Mrs. McMurry attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Dr. Rodes, in Mexico. We wish to extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Berry, M. N. Powell and sister spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powell and family.

Mrs. Willey Johnson spent Easter with her parents in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams of near Thompson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robertson and family.

Mrs. Conrad Schutte who has been suffering with asthma has been having her throat treated.

SANTA FE LETTER.

Over 300 acres of oats in adjoining fields have just been finished in the South Fork neighborhood. The biggest oat crop ever sown around here.

The community was shocked on Thursday to hear of Mrs. John Beagles' death. The entire community sympathizes with the family in their loss.

David Carter surprised his friends Saturday by getting married. He and his lady friend, Miss Lella Tell, motored over to Paris and were married about 12 o'clock that night.

R. R. Buckner has bought the Mexico Fair Grounds and will build the amphitheater into a large mule barn. He got the property at a bargain, \$10,000.

CHAMP CHIMES.

It looks like more help was going to be needed to win the war than the eating of corn bread.

After three months' rest our Sunday School opens at Bethel next Sunday.

All vegetation has been greatly retarded by the dry weather.

Miss Thelma Harrison closes a very successful term of school this week.

J. E. Foddy is assisting A. J. Tribble in the erecting of new sheds on each side of his barn.

A large crowd of neighbors and friends stormed the home of J. E. Booth last Friday night, taking with them an elegant supper and a large dining table. The purpose was to surprise Mrs. Booth and help celebrate her birthday. Between 75 and 100 persons were present.

There is much distemper among the horses in this community. C. H. Dean and Elbert Perisho have each lost a horse.

Lon Shelton who spent the winter with C. H. Dean returned to Colorado last week.

Elmer Dicus sheared his sheep last week. We suppose he aims to get them some more clothes until winter breaks.

Fred Liebengood and Rev. H. I. Cobb each had a Bell telephone installed last week.

We fail to see how the new time will affect the farmer who works by lantern-light at both ends of the day.

Mrs. John Beal and nephew, Philip Bell, left Monday to be at the bedside of Mrs. Beal's sister, and Philip's mother, Mrs. Marie Bell, who is very ill in a hospital at Patton, California.

A PLEASANT BIRTHDAY GATHERING.

Mrs. X. P. Ball gave her husband a sumptuous birthday dinner Sunday. The following guests were present: Mr. A. L. Ball and daughter, Miss Rilla, and son, Crigler, of Stoutsville, Mo.; Mrs. Marion Hancock, and daughter, Margaret, of Miami, Okla.; J. F. Ball, of Oakland, Calif.; B. P. Miller and wife and J. J. Wood and wife. After a very enjoyable day the guests departed wishing X. P. many more such days.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Bonds Of Road Overseers Approved
—A New Bridge Across Long Branch.

The County Court was in session Monday, and the following proceedings were had:

Lee Childers appointed overseer of road district 62.

D. W. Barnes resigned as overseer road district 23.

D. H. Athey resigned as Justice of the Peace of Culvre township.

Settlement was made with Joe Linneman as road overseer of district 57.

Ben Linneman was appointed as overseer of district 57.

Salary of J. D. Miller, Court House janitor, increased from \$60 a month to \$65.

Wm. White appointed commissioner Vandalia Special Road District.

The Clerk was ordered to certify to the Clerk of the Monroe County Court to build the county line bridge across Long Branch, west of Tulip, and that the Audrain County Court will pay one half the cost of same.

Ordered that section 16-51-7, which was put in road district 47, by the Assessor, was an error, and that the Clerk change this to district 45, where it belongs.

Abstract of fees accruing to the office of E. F. Elliot, Circuit Clerk, for the quarter ending March 31, 1918, examined, approved and ordered filed.

Bonds for the following road overseers examined and approved:

C. A. Teague, district 11.
J. C. Heagan, district 14.
T. U. Stuart, 17.
L. F. Bagley, 25.
E. K. Barnes, 32.
W. Y. Jones, 33.
J. A. Givens, 34.
J. J. Dye, 45.
C. E. Bales, 50.
J. H. Barnes, 51.
Ben Linneman, 57.
C. H. Crum, 66.
Joe T. Crews, 68.
L. M. Broadbuss, 71.

Corporal Russell Creasey, son of Mason Creasey of Mexico, has received an honorable discharge from the Army at Camp Funston, on account of weak eyes. He goes back to his former business position in Kansas City.

Mrs. P. E. Coil and Mrs. Frank Van Ness of Mexico will address a meeting at Meceadonia tonight in behalf of Red Cross work.

MR. PARKS DEAD.

J. W. Parks, 56 years old, died at his home on Fish Branch Saturday morning after an illness extending over six weeks.

The funeral was held at New Hope Church, west of Thompson, Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Wm. Pulis. Burial in New Hope cemetery.

Mr. Parks was a native of Boone county, coming to Audrain 20 years ago. His wife was Miss Etta Rutter, who survives him. Three children also survive—Mrs. Wm. Cline, Miss Eugenia Parks and Clarence Parks, all residents of this county. There are also two sisters, Mrs. Mary Ravenscraft and Mrs. L. J. Atkins, both of this county.

He was a good citizen and will be missed in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Threlkeld entertained at dinner Easter Sunday Miss Willie Whitson, Miss Myrtle Calhoun and Mrs. F. C. Zaugg of Colorado Springs.

Wheeler Gant of Thompson has moved to Omaha, Nebraska.

HERBERT PLUNKETT.

Herbert Plunkett, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Plunkett of Mexico, who has been taking army training at Harvard, has been advanced to the rank of Ensign, and will be stationed at Washington City for a time. He will get \$1700 a year. Good for you, Herbert.

THE BETHEL PRESBY- TERIAN CHURCH.

The session of Bethel church met last Saturday and prepared the following report for the Presbytery. It comprises the work of the year ending March 31, 1918.

Added on examination	16
Added by certificate	2
Roll of communicants	90
Baptisms	13
Foreign Missions	\$ 75.00
Assembly's Home Missions	253.00
Synodical Missions	160.00
Education and Relief	19.00
Sunday School Extension	27.00
Schools and Colleges	44.00
Orphans Homes	20.00
Miscellaneous Gifts	28.00
Total for benevolences	\$626.00
Current Expenses	648.00
Grand Total	\$1274.00

Poultry, Eggs, Hides, Etc.

I have bought the business of the Audrain Produce Co., West Monroe Street, in Mexico, next to Mexico Furniture and Hardware Store, and would like to have all who have anything in my line for sale to give me a trial. I have had twelve years experience in the Produce Business and will assure you a fair, square deal at all times. When in town again with eggs or poultry give me a chance to buy them. If you have nothing to sell now come in and get acquainted, you may have later.

MY MOTTO: A Fair, Square Deal to Everybody
C. A. GILPIN
MEXICO, MO.

McMILLAN NOTES.

By Wm. Hickman.

The student body was very pleasantly entertained last Wednesday by Mr. Richmond, of Boston, Mass., who gave some select readings from Shakespeare. In the morning during the drill period, as a sample of his work, the speaker read the famous oration of Antony as delivered over the body of dead Caesar, as it is found in Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar." At Mr. Richmond's suggestion, it was arranged that an hour and a half program be given in the afternoon, a free-will offering taken, and that he would keep 40 cents on the dollar, and allow 60 cents on the dollar to go towards the purchase of a service flag for McMillan. A very entertaining program was given in the afternoon in which he read sections from many of Shakespeare's notable plays. The contributions were liberal, a neat sum was raised for the service flag.

Many students at McMillan have been sick as a result of the epidemic which invaded our midst last week. Saturday, the disease seemed to reach its highest toll when perhaps 75 or more were ill. Many fainted and had to be taken home. At drill formation, Stanley Wilson fainted and fell upon the pavement, receiving serious wounds about the face. Many of the children of the grade school, who were rehearsing their play, became sick Saturday afternoon. Local health authorities do not understand just what the disease is, except that it is some form of gripe. At the present, many have recovered, and conditions are growing better.

Several McMillan boys have gone to work on the farm. The Government has devised a plan which is very attractive to the chaps.

A Boys' Working Reserve has been organized for the purpose of encouraging youths who cannot serve in the trenches to serve on the farm. By enrolling in the cause, the boy receives a certificate of enrollment, and a button, signifying that he is working for Uncle Sam. If he works so many hours during the summer, he will receive a bronze badge from his Government. This is a wonderful system. Doubtless everyone is working for Uncle Sam, but the fellow who enrolls is known to be by his button and his certificate.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Edward J. Winter, deceased, that the undersigned administrator of said estate intends to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court, in the County of Audrain, State of Missouri, to be holden at the Court House, in the City of Mexico, in said county, on the second Monday in May, 1918.
L. R. LARKIN, Administrator.
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Postmaster C. E. Mayhall of Ladonia was in Mexico Saturday. He thinks the voters of that locality will be almost a solid unit for the County Hospital in the election tomorrow.

Miss Mabel Threlkeld was operated upon at the Mexico Hospital Saturday.

Rudolph Miller of near Rust Hill lost five War Savings Stamps last Saturday while on the way from his home to Mexico. He would be very thankful to the honest man or woman who found them to return them to him.

CHICAGO & ALTON RY. TIME TABLE

East Bound.

No. 24 daily for St. Louis 4:02 a. m.
No. 16 ex Sun. for Bloomington 7:20 a. m.

No. 26 daily for Jacksonville 12:40 p. m.

No. 22 daily for St. Louis 2:52 p. m.
No. 10 daily for Chicago 10:10 p. m.
No. 196 ex Sun. from Slater 1:20 p. m.

West Bound.

No. 23 daily for Kansas City 2:45 a. m.
No. 196 ex Sun. for Slater 7:45 a. m.
No. 21 daily for Kansas City 12:40 p. m.

No. 25 daily for Kansas City 1:46 p. m.

No. 17 ex Sun. from Bloomington 7:15 p. m.

No changes in C. B. and Q. or South Branch trains.

T. L. MARSHALL,
Ticket Agent.

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